

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Feast of Pentecost

Year C Cycle 1

8 June 2025



With the Spirit

Jesus' promise of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, is a promise that he will be with us forever, and that this presence is dynamic, powerful, effective. Today, Jesus says that the Spirit "will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you". More than this, the giving of the Holy Spirit is an invitation to intimacy with God: "We will come to him and make our home with him".

The descent of the Spirit is soon realised in the power of the Spirit, how the Spirit makes a radical difference. The disciples become powerful speakers, teachers who are understood by all who listen to them. The Spirit is powerful, gently powerful, and this dynamism will power the nascent Church and powers the Church to this day.

The dynamism of the Holy Spirit is to be revered, honoured and obeyed. The Holy Spirit confers gifts of wisdom, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, understanding, piety and respect of the Lord. Insofar as we are open to the Spirit, are filled with the Spirit and allow ourselves to be directed by the Spirit, we possess and live these gifts. The same Spirit who confers these gifts is the Spirit of unity, drawing people together to live together in peace, but there is a catch: the Spirit is also a disruptor, encourager, challenger, a Spirit of truth, a Spirit of reverence for God. Where there is complacency or dogmatism in faith, the Spirit will disrupt, prompting action, openness and dialogue; where there is fear, trepidation or doubt, the Spirit will encourage, strengthen, enlighten; where there is injustice, lack of respect for others, the Spirit will demand a change of heart and respect; where there is falsehood, ignorance and error, the Spirit will lead us towards knowledge and truth and fuller understanding.

St Paul is clear: the Spirit is not simply the power of God that changes our behaviour, but the dynamism of God that changes who we are. We have new life in us through the Spirit living in us. We now see the world differently; we relate to each other differently, we see more clearly, as though through God's eyes; we serve each other more faithfully. Recognising that we are truly children of God, calling God "Abba, Father", is our invitation to be ever more conscious of our human dignity and of our responsibility to each other and to the calling we have to live with God in glory.

Sunday Living Word Majellan Family Media

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Congratulations to our RCIA Recipients

On Saturday 31 May we celebrated a joyful ceremony at the 5pm Vigil as we welcomed the last seven candidates of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) into the Catholic Church, alongside their beloved children. Fr Brian, assisted by Fr Rosan, administered the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. As these families continue on their spiritual journey of faith, let us keep the Ardrey, Creevey, Frize and Owens families in our heartfelt prayers.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Anne Proust for her unwavering support of these families during the RCIA program, as well as to Fr Rosan and our Pastoral Associate, Colleen Smith. Your compassion and dedication truly make a meaningful difference in their lives.

Our next RCIA program will be starting soon, with dates to be announced in the coming weeks. If you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic, please encourage them to contact the parish office or email Colleen at colleen.smith@bbcatholic.org.au



Congratulations Sundai!

On Friday night Sundai was awarded the Diocesan Medal of Broken Bay during the Inaugural Awards Presentation Night. Sundai was honoured for her unfailing dedication to this parish for the past 31 years. We congratulate her for a most deserving award!





Masses: Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 8am & 9:30am | Reynolds Court 11am | Maronite Mass 5pm

Weekday Masses: Monday - Thursday 9am | Friday 11:45am | Saturday 9am

Reconciliations: Saturdays 9:30am - 10am | 4pm - 4:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours: Saturday 8:40am

Rosary: Monday-Thursday 8:35am | Friday 11:20am | Saturday 9:30am

Cenacle Prayer Group: Wednesday 9:30am

Christian Meditation Group: Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room



A Beacon of Faith, Hope & Love

Vinnie's Winter Appeal

This winter, Vinnies volunteer members across Australia are seeing an unprecedented demand for homelessness services and support. Your generous support can help vulnerable people in our communities at risk of or experiencing homelessness with the urgent help they need to break free from the cycle of poverty and homelessness.

You can help give them food so they are not going hungry and clothes so they are not cold. A helping hand with essential bills or the rent could be all that's standing between people and homelessness. Sadly, domestic and family violence is one of the key drivers of homelessness. You can help ensure that people who are no longer safe at home have somewhere to turn.

You can help them find safety and support by donating through the Winter Appeal envelopes which will be available in the Church next weekend 14/15 June, via phone at 13 18 12 or online at vinnies.org.au

Pentecost Party!

The Seaside Youth Group invites YOU to join us for games and cake cause we gotta celebrate the Church's birthday! This Saturday 7 June after 5pm Mass, in the Upper Room, for Year 6-12. Friends welcome! For more info contact the parish office on 4332 2216 or theentranceparish@bbcatholic.org.au



Blessing of Upper Room

Immediately after the 5pm Vigil Mass we will have the Blessing of the Upper Room Youth Centre located upstairs in the old school building. All are welcome to come along and see what is happening in the parish with our new Seaside Youth Group.

New Senior's Craft, Games & Chat Morning

Come along for a relaxing, fun time and make new friends! Carers are welcome. While enjoying a cuppa and biscuit, just have a chat, do your craft, or bring your cards or favourite game. Share other ideas of activities. Every 3rd Tuesday of the month, this one being 17 June, in the Reynolds Room from 10am to 12:30pm. Enquiries 4332 2216.

Choir Members & Organist Needed

The Choir is in need of another organist and singers, to assist on a roster basis with all the weekend Masses. Choir practice is on Tuesdays at 5:30pm. For more information speak to Anne-Maree, our Music Ministry Coordinator or call the parish office 4332 2216 and we will pass your details on.

Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11 | Rom 8:8-17 | Jn 14:15-16, 23-26

Entrance Antiphon: the Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



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Please Note

Welcome

We welcome the Phelan, Selby, Nonnenmacher and Coss Families for the Reception of their children who will be baptised in the near future.

Clergy Conference

This week Fr Brian, Fr Rosan and Dcn Paul will be attending a Clergy Conference, a yearly event held for all clergy in our diocese. They will return in time for 11:45am Mass on Friday. We thank Fr Hill who will celebrate Masses in their absence.

Monday Public Holiday

This Monday the Office and Sacred Gifts will be closed for the King's Birthday public holiday.

Feast Days this Week

Mary, Mother of the Church 9 June; St Barnabas, Apostle 11 June; St Anthony of Padua 13 June.

Parish Morning Tea

The Ambrosian Family Group is hosting our Parish Morning Tea next Sunday 15 June after the 9:30am Mass. Join us in the parish centre for a lovely hot cuppa and refreshments.

Men's Social Group

The Men's Social Group has expanded to include wives and friends! Come along for lunch and a yarn! Held at various locations, this month being Diggers Club, at 12noon on Wednesday 18 June. All welcome! Enquiries to Lui on 4388 9510.

St Francis of Assisi & St Clare

Have you ever wondered what Secular Franciscans do? You're warmly invited to attend our upcoming monthly prayer meeting in the Reynolds Room at 1pm on Friday 13 June. Enquiries to: Sandrea Petith OFS Minister Central Coast Fraternity St Joachim & St Anne 0499811177. For further information please check out the national Franciscan website: ofsaustralia.org.au

Part-time Live-in Carer Needed

Suitable qualified person to assist 96 year old male at Toukley. Enquiries: Toukley Parish 8379 1730.

The Catholic Weekly

Now on sale on the information tables. \$2 to the poor box please.

Keep Us in Your Prayers

Recently Deceased: Maree Denning, Chrissy Gibson, Wilbroda Omwandi, Olive Mansfield, Grahame Rumble, Maurie Carr, Damian Allport, Jose Malinao, Arcangel Tatlonghari.

Anniversaries: Elizabeth & Thomas Kirkham, Col McLaurin, Betty O'Neill, Stephen Henry, Peter Costello, Nick Sirolli.

Remembrances: Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Mario Cauchi, Delma Clarke, Ruth Jayesuria and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick: Helen Freeman, Janine Harpley, Patrick Yeo, Loui Abraham, Stjepan Tuka, Peter McCarten, Pam Elliott, Graham Henneberry, Pauline Fowler, Antonio Palagiano, Beau Davis, Max Leete, Anne Clancy, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will.



Welcome to OLR Sacred Gifts

OLR Sacred Gifts is open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass. You'll find us in the foyer of the Church.

Enquiries: 4332 2216